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SIX VILLAGES DESTROYED

By Earthquakes—Over Eight Hundred People Killed.

(Associated Press.)

Tiflis, Russian Transcaucasia, Jan. 4.—Altogether 13 villages in the Ashiklak district of this government have experienced earthquake shocks. Six of these places have been completely destroyed, and eight hundred dead bodies have already been recovered.

CHARGE AGAINST BAXTER.

(Associated Press.)

Montreal, Jan. 4.—James Baxter, the well-known banker and broker, who is charged with aiding Herbert, thief of the Vile Marie Bank, to escape, was placed on trial in the police court this morning.

Herbert gave evidence that Baxter had received about \$40,000 from the bank on the mere presentation of his note by his own son, or clerk in his employ, while at the same time the bank had nothing to Baxter's credit. Some of the notes presented were initialed by Lomieux, the cashier of the bank, while other notes bore no initials whatever.

The maximum penalty for Baxter's crime is fourteen years in the penitentiary.

SPANISH AMBASSADOR DEAD.

Rome, Jan. 4.—Count De Boninomi, Spanish ambassador to Italy, is dead.

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FIGHTING IN CAPE COLONY

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GATACRE ENGAGES THE BURGHERS

Engagement at Molento—Cyphergat Occupied by British Troops—Situation in Natal—Shelling Boer Camps—More Troops Sail for South Africa.

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CAPE COLONY.

British Occupation of Cyphergat—Skirmish Near Belmont—Infantry and Artillery Sent to Gen. French.

Storkstrom, Jan. 3.—Gen. Gatacre went to-day by the traveling force to Cyphergat, near the British advance camp at Bushman's Hook. The Boers retired hurriedly soon after the British artillery opened fire.

The enemy occupied Molento and Cyphergat to-day, but the latter place is now reconquered by the British.

Reinforcements for French.

Orange River, Cape Colony, Jan. 3.—There was small skirmish near Belmont this morning. The British fired a few shells and the Boers did not respond.

A detachment of about forty Boers attempted to rush Klipfontein this morning, but were beaten back by the mounted infantry.

Possibly this force consisted of fugitives from Sunnyside.

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IN NATAL.

British Naval Guns Shell the Boer Camp at Colesburg—Six Men Escape From Ladysmith.

Howden Lager, Ladysmith, Jan. 1.—The garrison of Ladysmith during the night threw out fireworks on all sides, exchanging shots with Boer pickets.

At midnight a couple of shells fell into the Boer camp and killed a burgher.

Gen. Joubert preached in camp on Sunday.

The Rev. Mr. Meiring, who has just arrived here from America, addressed the burghers this afternoon, dwelling on the inspiring story of the life of a people.

This morning shells filled with confectonery and containing the season's greetings were sent into Ladysmith.

Federal shells are coming in Ladysmith at from thirty shillings to five pounds sterling.

Escaped from Ladysmith.

Howden Lager, Ladysmith, Jan. 2.—Six horsemen made a dash from Ladysmith a few nights ago, and though pursued they escaped.

It is believed the party included Col. Rhodes, brother of Cecil Rhodes, and Dr. Jameson.

the British pickets discovered them and wounded one Boer.

Gen. Meyer resumes command of the division here.

Gen. Joubert denies that he has ever protested against the use of lyddite. He avers that up to the present time, he has not lost a single man from lyddite.

Boers at the Tugela.

Frere Camp, Jan. 3.—Capt. Thorneycroft's patrol found the enemy in some force at the little Tugela bridge. Their presence was discovered by scouts.

It is reported that five men and a lieutenant of party have not returned.

Boers Forced to Retire.

Frere Camp, Jan. 4.—A vigorous shelling of the Boers' trenches on the plain this morning forced the burghers to shift their position after their horses had stampeded.

Kaffir Stations Destroyed.

Pretoria, Jan. 4.—The mint here has coined 14,000 sovereigns since starting and the machinery is now in full swing with the mint.

Vanzensburg reports from Dordrecht that the Kaffir stations have been destroyed, and that the inhabitants are flying.

Chief Linche, with 3,000 Kaffirs, attacked the Boer lagers but the natives were dispersed.

A representative of the Associated Press, who has been in Johannesburg for three days, says the utmost order prevails there. Looting is exceptional, and where discovered is heavily punished. The sanitary condition of the town is imperfect and sickness is frequent. About 1,200 British subjects are still in the Rand district.

Chaplains for the Contingent.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Rev. W. G. Cox, English church minister at Pugwash, Prince Edward Island, has been selected as one of the chaplains for the contingent. There will likely be three, a Roman Catholic, a Methodist and an English church.

Methodist Minister.

(Associated Press.)

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—Three chaplains go with the second contingent, namely, Rev. W. J. Cox, Anglican, Pugwash, P.E.I.; Rev. W. G. Lane, Methodist, Pictou, N.S.; and one Roman Catholic priest not yet named. The Y.M.C.A. will have Mr. Best, Brantford, as its representative.

Markborough's Outfit.

New York, Jan. 4.—London cables describe the outfit which the Duke of Marlborough has prepared to take with him to South Africa, which includes four horses, four splendid Spanish mules, and a specially built Cape cart for going over the rough roads. An elaborate kit has been gotten together, every device for comfort in a compact space being utilized.

The Duke of Westminster.

Capetown, Jan. 3.—The Duke of Westminster, it is announced, will remain in Cape Colony during the war.

It is understood that a prominent inhabitant of Orange Free State, a near relative of President Steyn, has gone to the United States to lecture in the interests of the two republics.

Supplies from New York.

New York, Jan. 4.—The steamship Fabius, according to the Times, will leave this port to-day for Delagoa Bay, with a miscellaneous cargo, and it is believed she has on board an immense quantity of provisions, arms and ammunition, army blankets and general supplies for the British army in South Africa.

Day of Prayer in Canada.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—The local council of the Evangelical Alliance, in compliance with a request from Lord Polwarth, president of the Alliance in Great Britain, has issued an appeal to the churches of Canada to observe Sunday, Jan. 7, as a day of humiliation and prayer, and invites clergy and ministers of all denominations to offer to Almighty God, confession, supplication and intercession, that whatever may be amiss in our national life may be forgiven, and that peace may be speedily re-established on a righteous and permanent basis.

Another Steamer Stopped.

Berlin, Jan. 4.—The Imperial mail steamer General has been detained at Aden and occupied by British troops with the object of searching her cargo. The General is owned by the German East African Co., the owners of the Bundesrath, previously captured by the British off Delagoa Bay.

Carried Contraband of War.

Rome, Jan. 1.—The German steamer Kanger, with the Dutch and Russian Red Cross detachments for the Transvaal on board, discharged a quantity of her cargo at Naples to-day as it was contraband of war. The Kanger belongs to the same company as the Bundesrath and General.

Delagoa Bay Question.

London, Jan. 4.—The British foreign office knows nothing about the report that the Berne arbitrators had made their award in the Delagoa Bay railroad question.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Jan. 4.—The municipal nominations passed off quietly to-day. There was a straight Deadman's Island ticket all through. Mayor Gordon and J. W. M. Brown were nominated for mayor's chair.

The residence of Jas. G. Woods, manager of the Moodyville mill, was burning at noon to-day.

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The War in South Africa

French May Be Ordered to Quit His Present Position Near Colesburg.

Bombardment of Ladysmith Becoming Livelier—Boers Shell Kimberley.

London, Jan. 3.—The report of the Boer attack upon Mafeking is not yet confirmed. Apparently Gen. French holds no strong within five miles of Colesburg Junction. His request for reinforcements dispels any present hope that he will be able to seize one of the crossings of the Orange river.

It is probable that when Lord Roberts arrives, Gen. French will be ordered to quit his present unsupported position and to concentrate his command at De Aar or Orange River.

As the Daily Telegraph says: "Gen. French appears to be in the position of a man having a tiger cat in a trap and unable to lift it for want of a stick."

A dispatch from Dover, Farm announces that Lord Roberts has returned there from Douglas.

Calling Out the Militia.

The war office has authorized the equipment of the new battery attached to the new London Volunteers corps with Vickers and Maxim guns and ordered 100 of these quick-firing guns, immediately.

The officers and men of the new battery will be supplied from the Honourable Artillery Company.

Eight additional militia regiments have been called out. Seven of these will serve in Ireland, replacing the regulars sent to South Africa.

All parts of England and Scotland report lively volunteering, a leading feature being the great sums raised by private subscription for volunteer equipments. Some of the counties have given as high as £20,000. It is computed that the provinces have already raised nearly £600,000, while London is raising £120,000 for the city corps.

Shelling Ladysmith.

Since Commandant General Joubert's return to the front the cannonade of Ladysmith by the Boers has been much increased. Between December 28th and December 29th four shells killed 1 officer and 3 men, and wounded 13 officers and 11 men.

At Kimberley.

Kimberley, Dec. 26.—On Christmas night the Boers evincible considerable interest in the Premier mine, using their searchlights. This morning they actively shelled the fort. The Royal Artillery replied. Our shells were well placed and dropped amid the smoke of the enemy's guns.

Last night's shelling killed some of our military mines, but there were no casualties.

Mr. Cecil Rhodes has supplied the Boer prisoners with new clothing.

Russia Will Not Interfere.

London, Jan. 4.—The Standard's Vienna correspondent says: "Emperor Nicholas has assured Sir G. S. Scott, British ambassador at St. Petersburg, that Great Britain need not fear intervention or any sort of difficulty from Russia in the present South African complication. This may fairly be interpreted as an assurance including an indirect promise that France will abstain from creating difficulties for England."

Germany Looks For Trade.

The Berlin correspondent of the Daily News says: "The German government is making inquiries of Berlin manufacturers and traders as to the extent of their exports to the Transvaal, the view being that German trade with the Transvaal will increase after the war."

Portugal's Attitude.

London, Jan. 3.—The Lisbon correspondent of the Standard says: "It is reported here that Great Britain officially acknowledged the correctness of the attitude of Portugal regarding Delagoa Bay. It is also asserted that inquiries instituted by the British consul at Lourenço Marques show that since hostilities began nothing contraband has been transported there except barbed wire and breadstuffs."

NEWS FROM THE B. C. BOYS.

How the Local Members of the Canadian Contingent Fared on the Trip.

A private letter received by a member of the Times staff from one of the volunteers who make up Victoria's share of the first Canadian contingent, written from Capetown on November 29th—the day of the Sardinian's arrival—gives the following list of appointments which were approved of by the British Colonial Office.

Victoria: Sergt. Scott, Victoria; Corporal McFarlane, Rossland; Corporal Moscrop, Vancouver; Lance-Corporal Corbould, New Westminster; Lance-Corporal Lohman, New Westminster; and Lance-Corporal Dickson, Nelson.

The contingent is divided into four sections: numbers one and two contain right-hand men and three and four the left-hand. Number one section is made up as follows: Sergt. Northcott, Corp. McFarlane, Corp. Barlow (Vancouver), W. Wallace, Gamble, Cornwell, Dickson,

Finch-Smith, O'Dell, Beech, Jones, Todd, Anderson, Wood, Lohman, Smith, Brash, Roberts, Carter, (teamster), Dixon (stitcher-bearer), Lohman, Lohman, Court, Somers, Stewart, Brookings, Maundrell (butcher) and Steddings.

Number two section was composed as follows: Sergt. Scott, Corp. Moscrop, Corp. Irvine (Winnipeg), Lance-Corp. Dickson, Battison (teamster), Whittley (teamster), Nye, Wilkie, Allen, Bonner, Campbell (Kamloops), Crooke (Rossland), Greaves, Harrison (Maxim man), Hicks (Kamloops), Hutchings, Jackson, Leary, Lee (Maxim man, Nelson), Livingstone, Mackie, Muddle (Kaslo), McDonald, Nelberrall, O'Brien, Patterson (Maxim man, Nelson), Rae (Rossland), Sinclair, Smith, Thompson, G. Wallace, Williams (Kaslo).

The health of the B. C. boys, according to the writer, was excellent during the voyage, from which they were debarking when the letter was written. Slight sea-sickness was felt by only a very few.

Several of the soldiers were slightly injured, but, said the writer, they were still in the ring when the transport arrived. The list of the casualties as given is as follows: Lance-Corp. Lohman, horse bite on finger, also a cut eye brow, caused by a collision he had with the iron railing during a lurch of the steamer in a rough sea.

Finch-Smith was sunburnt on the legs and arms, which indicates that the erstwhile actor dispensed with stockings and shirt-sleeves on the ocean trip. Campbell had a blistered foot, he having stepped on a steam-pipe while paddling about with bare feet. Lance-Corp. Dickson sprained his ankle, and Corp. McFarlane did like wise. This was the list. There were no serious accidents and all the above were on deck again by the arrival of the vessel.

Twenty of the B. C. men were with two Maxim guns, commanded by Capt. Bell, formerly of the Scots Guards and A.D.C. to Gen. Hutton.

Patterson from Nelson, the writer said, was next to the Transvaal, having been with Maurice Clifford's Horse, and during the ill-fated raid he was dispatched rider for Dr. Jamieson.

Table Mountain was sighted at 9 a.m. on the morning of the 29th, and four hours later the troops were marched ashore, amid great enthusiasm. All were glad to get off the Sardinian as they were greatly cramped. There was no spare space. The men, although irritated because of this, kept good temper.

With the exception of companies F, G, and H, the Canadians were dressed in khaki when they debarked. The three companies mentioned went ashore in their dark green uniforms, owing to the lack of khaki.

CANADIANS AT CAPE TOWN.

The Mayor, on Behalf of the Citizens, Welcomed the Volunteers to South Africa.

The Cape Times, Nov. 30th, just to hand, contains the following account of the arrival of the Canadian contingent at Capetown:

Allan Iain Sardinian, bringing the Canadian contingent from Montreal, arrived in Table Bay early yesterday afternoon. The volunteers are under the command of Colonel Otter, and Major Drummond, of the Scots Guards, is attached to the contingent for service. The total number of men who have come from the Dominion is just over a thousand, organized on the basis of eight company units, and it is possible that they will be attached to different British rifle brigades. The men are an excellent.

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are all anxious to get to the front. Their passage from Montreal has been somewhat lengthy, but with the exception of one day they had fine weather throughout the trip.

Early yesterday morning a deputation, consisting of the Mayor (Mr. T. Bell), Mr. H. Wilman (chairman of the Table Bay harbor board), Mr. C. B. Elliott, C. M. G. (general manager of railways), Mr. J. W. Zenger (president of the chamber of commerce), Mr. J. W. Honey (collector of customs), Mr. L. Wilner, Mr. P. Roth, and the town clerk (Mr. C. J. Bywater), went off to the Sardinian on the harbor tug T. E. Puller, and were introduced to Colonel Otter and the contingent by Captain Stephen, the harbor master.

The mayor, on behalf of the citizens, offered to the Canadians a very hearty welcome to the shores of South Africa. After exchanging cordial greetings with the officers and men, the deputation, accompanied by Col. Otter and Major Drummond, who were anxious to communicate with the Castle authorities, returned to the docks. The Canadians

Hearty Cheers.

The mayor's party as the tug left the side of the fleet. There are four trained lady nurses accompanying the contingent, who are expected to land this morning. The Sardinian taking the place of the Moor at the Loch Jetty late in the afternoon.

The voyage of 7,000 miles was accomplished very shortly, the Sardinian was supposed to be a 12 knot boat, only attaining some 9 1/2 knots. One death occurred during the voyage, a trooper of D Company, named Desautels, and as illness would have it, a couple of accidents occurred on board the very day before the vessel arrived in port. Private Martin sprained his ankle badly, and Lieutenant Lohman falling on the deck and putting his shoulder out of joint. The regiment numbers 1,008. In addition to which there are several extras, including the four nurses and three chaplains. The second in command of the regiment is Major Buchanan, while the adjutant is Captain Macdonald, and the assistant adjutant is Lieutenant McDonald and Ogilvie. It is anticipated that the regiment will disembark this morning, in which case they will probably

Proceed to the Front.

Two war correspondents accompany the regiment—Mr. Hamilton, for the Toronto Globe, and Mr. Brown, for the Toronto Mail and Empire. Messrs. Hamilton and Brown will naturally follow the fortunes of the Canadian contingent. They have nothing to say, received a hearty fraternal welcome from their press colleagues in Capetown.

French Were Routed.

News of a Battle Near Kwang-chawan in Which Thirty Were Killed.

The Russo-Japan War Rumors—Plague at Manila, Kobe and Manchuria.

News was received from the Far East by the steamer Queen Adelaide of the Northern Pacific line that wars and rumors of wars are now disturbing the serenity of the Pacific East. From the files of the Chung Nui San Po it is learned that news has reached Canton that a battle occurred between natives near Wangchuan and the French forces stationed there. It is said that the Chinese routed the French and pursued them for some distance. The French loss was thirty killed. The Chinese losses were not stated. The battle occurred on the 10th and 11th of last month.

On hearing of the affair the Viceroy dispatched three gunboats with a thousand soldiers under the command of a military officer named Ng Fung-fai to restore order. The Viceroy also wired to the Tungling Yamen asking what steps are to be taken, as he is quite unable to carry out the delimitation to the satisfaction of the French.

Advices from Peking are to the effect that the demands of the French concerning the recent Kwangtung disturbances include the payment of an indemnity of 200,000 francs in cash, a railway concession, right of working mines in the province and the dismissal of the Viceroy of the province of Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

The rumors of war are of the prospect of war between Japan and Russia and the Japanese papers are still full of it. Capt. McNeill says that all the foreign element expect an outbreak in the near future. The Japanese are actively preparing for it. They are buying up and storing provisions and rushing forward the construction of the warships not yet completed. Orders went forth shortly before the steamer sailed for the mobilization of the fleet, the intention being to hold the yearly maneuvers—both of the army and navy—at an earlier season this year than in the past. The rumor that a fleet of Russian warships had been dispatched to Korea is confirmed. A Tokyo dispatch to the Japanese press says: "Several Russian vessels have repaired to Massamp to pass the winter there."

A dispatch from Seoul dated December 12th to the Nienichi of Japan says the protest of the Russian minister against the land purchase at Massamp made by Japanese was rejected by the Russian government, and the land has consequently become the property of the Japanese.

The plague has not yet been eradicated in Kobe, where from time to time fresh cases are reported. Fortunately, however, the pest has not yet assumed serious dimensions.

Manila papers say that an epidemic like the plague is threatening Manila. The Manila Times states: "It has been learned from various authentic sources that in many of our closely neighboring towns a serious epidemic, bordering on a plague, is raging. The towns which are principally affected with this dread disease are Guadalupe, Mandabang, Pindol and Malabon, besides a number of others. The cause of the plague, as it probably is, is said to be due to the eating of flesh from animals which have



The Story of a Baby.

The physicians at the Hanemann Hospital of Philadelphia said Baby Moncrieff could not live.

It was against all the laws of nature and of medicine for this eight-month baby to survive a nervous disease of the spine.

The family doctor agreed with those at the hospital. The mother watched the child as it slept upon the pillow, the faintest flutter of breath telling her that life still lingered.

An aunt who loved her like a mother said "We will try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They are prescribed for nervous disorders, perhaps they will help our Ettie." A pill was divided in three parts and given to the baby.

Instead of dying, as the doctors predicted, she lived. Then she opened her eyes and smiled at those around her.

She gathered strength through Dr. Williams' Pink Pills as a flower gathers strength in the mist of the morning.

To-day she is seven years old, the sunshine of the aunt who saved her life with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

This is a true story. The child is Ettie Moncrieff, daughter of Mrs. Helen Moncrieff, formerly of Hamilton, Ontario. The Aunt is Mrs. M. G. Meek, who now resides with the child at 1317 South 10th Street, Philadelphia. The facts are fully verified by affidavits.

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS CURE WHEN OTHER MEDICINES FAIL.

died from disease. Whatever the cause, there is little doubt that a species of plague exists, in which most cases prove fatal. It is said that the disease carries off its victims within 48 hours from its first attack, and in these country towns medical aid or supplies are not to be had readily, and then only in a limited way. Not only this but the burial of the corpses of those who have died from this disease is a carefully guarded secret and strictly no precautions are taken. The natives do not understand the care which should be taken in these cases, and rely too much on their faith and superstition.

It has been decided, at the instance of the Russian minister of finance, to dispatch a sanitary corps of doctors and sisters of mercy to Manchuria, to combat the plague which has broken out among the Chinese laborers on the Manchurian railway.

Steamer Rijo Maru was wrecked off Omai Cape, Nov. 28th. She struck a submerged rock and soon afterwards foundered.

News is given of the murder of an Englishman named Richmond in Cheungpo.

When a man falls headlong from a roof, we think only of the hazardous character of his employment. It does not occur to us that thousands of men at sea or on land are hourly climbing to dizzy heights without a fear and without a fall, and that the real danger is not in the employment, but in the weakening of the nerves and giving way of the muscles. That danger is just as great to the man on the sidewalk or in the office as to the man on the roof. When the stomach and the organs of digestion and nutrition are disordered, and nerves and muscles grow weak for lack of nutrition. More fatal diseases probably begin with "weak stomach" than with any other cause. The first symptom of disordered stomach calls for prompt use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is a vegetable medicine, absolutely non-alcoholic and non-narcotic, and is unequalled for the strength it gives to blood, nerves and muscles.

"During the summer and fall of 1899," writes Dr. K. E. of Plain City, Madison Co., Ohio, "I became 'run down,' nervous and weak, and have been able to work since I took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and have been able to work since I took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and have been able to work since I took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery."

At least two varieties of the disease are known—the common form, the Boer "maad-siekte," in which the lungs are most seriously affected, owing, no doubt, to the disease having been contracted by breathing "damp" air, and "damp-siekte," in which swelling of the head and neck, or of the tongue, forms the most prominent symptom. In both varieties the incubation period between the time the organisms gain access to the system and the first sudden rise of temperature is about eight days, but while the former usually terminates fatally in about 12

days from the onset of the initial rigor, death in the latter is generally delayed for a few days more. In all common form of horse sickness death occurs very suddenly after the temperature has risen to about 106 deg. Fahr. The animal feeds freely till within a few minutes of death, and when the crisis occurs it is simply drowned in an exudation of its own blood serum into the air-passages. These become gorged with a dense white froth, which does not collapse on a portion of it, like a mass of soap bubbles, being blown from the mouth and nostrils in the death struggle. Both forms of the disease can be induced in healthy horses by venous inoculation and another form locally situated in the abdomen has been produced by ingestion through mixing the blood of a diseased horse with the animal's food.

Numerous experiments by the director of the Bacteriological Institute at Grahamstown have shown "that no material can be obtained from the bodies of animals which have died of the disease, that can be used in practice to produce immunity in healthy animals." The use of serum from animals which have recovered from the disease has also been proved abortive. A measure of success has, however, attended the inoculation of horses with infected donkey's blood, and with attenuated virus got by transmission of a virulent virus through partially immune animals. By these means a mild form of the disease is produced. A period of at least 50 days is allowed to elapse, during which secondary attacks of fever and moderately high temperatures occur at frequent intervals. By repeated mild attacks the system is fortified against subsequent inoculation more effectively than by a high temperature. The secondary fever which occurs to a horse after recovery from a natural attack is termed by the Dutch "Ammaning," and until the first of these returns has passed off the animal is not fully protected or "sated."

Inoculation in any form is consequently out of the question in connection with the preservation of the animals engaged in the present campaign, and facilities for keeping them under cover during the winter months, but we doubt not the army veterinary department is alive to the other means which experience has shown are useful as measures of prevention. These are—(a) the administration of small doses of arsenic and sulphur in the food (a measure which has proved most efficacious among police horses which have to be out on duty at night; (b) the penning closely together of horses within a bush fence, preferably in a deep or cattle "kraal," where the accumulation of manure tends to elevate the temperature of the floor of the enclosure and to prevent mist rising close to them; and (c) the provision of nosebags to act as air filters through which the animals breathe. Should the epidemic form of the disease unfortunately appear this season, these precautionary measures will be required.

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GOETHE AND "THE HOLY WAR."

A little episode from Goethe's German War of Liberation may give us an idea of how the figure of Goethe stood before the minds of the noble youths who at that time flocked from the colleges and universities to the defence of their country. It is an incident which happened to a company of Lützow volunteers at the beginning of the campaign of 1813, in the town of Meissen. One of the members of the company, Friedrich Forster, the friend of Theodor Körner, relates the incident as follows:

"We had just finished our morning song in front of the inn in which our captain was quartered, when I saw a man whose features seemed familiar to me entering a mail coach. I could hardly believe my eyes when I saw it was Goethe! Having at once communicated the glorious discovery to my comrades, I approached the coach with a military salute and said: 'I beg to report to your excellency that a company of Prussian Volunteers of the Black Rifle Corps, en route for Leipzig, have drawn up before your headquarters and desire to salute your excellency.' The captain gave the command 'Present arms' and I called: 'The poet of all poets, Goethe, hurrah!' The band played, and the whole company cheered. He touched his cap and nodded kindly. Now I once more stepped up to him and said: 'It is no use for your excellency to try to keep your incognito; the Black Riflemen have sharp eyes, and to meet Goethe at the beginning of our march was too good an omen to pass unnoticed. We ask from you a blessing for our arms.' 'With all my heart,' he said. 'I held out my gun and sword; he held his hand out to me and said: 'March forward with God! And may all good things be granted to your joyous German course!' While we again cheered him, still saluting, he drove past us."

To us Americans this little episode from the "Holy War" of the Germans may well symbolize our own relation to Goethe. We, too, are engaged in a holy war; we, too, are fighting for the highest ideals of life, the freedom and the culture of our people; we, too, ask the great man whose prophetic eyes so clearly foresaw our destiny to bless our arms—Prof. Kuno Francke in November 1897.

"HIS MONEY IN THE STREET."

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Council in Committee

Special Session of the Aldermanic
Board Held Last
Evening.

Chilliwack Railway By-Law Fur-
ther Considered and Pro-
gress Made.

The City Council last night wrestled with the recommendations of the legislative committee and considered the clauses of the Victoria & Sidney Extension By-law, until a late hour. In connection with the latter, Messrs. Renouf, Belyea, and Sayward were present, but as it was a regular sitting of the council, no part of the proceedings. The mayor presided and all the members were present. The council at once resolved itself into committee for the consideration of the amendments recommended by the legislative committee to the Municipal Clauses Act.

The first recommendation in regard to vacant lots making such of these which fronted on a sewer liable to the payment of a sum not exceeding the minimum rental levied on buildings on the same street, passed with little discussion.

In regard to street sprinkling, Ald. Cameron suggested that the council designate the district to be sprinkled and that the work be proceeded with unless petitioned against. He thought that this plan was preferable to requiring the ratepayers to petition for the work. This suggestion was adopted, the clause making the sprinkling of any street conditional upon a petition from the property owners upon it being cut out. The provisions for weekly payments of at least one-tenth of the value of the real property of the municipality, was adopted. "That the clause was reached providing for a change in the principle of levying license fees on the traders of the city. Hitherto a certain sum has been specified by the council for wholesalers and for retailers, but a number of the aldermen consider that this is an unfair basis upon which to proceed. "For instance," explained the mayor, "one of the largest retail dry goods establishments on Government street will pay the very same fee of \$10 that a small tobacco shop on some back street of the city will be required to contribute as a license fee."

Ald. Cameron attacked the whole principle. "No system which does not tax all or none can be absolutely fair," he contended. Continuing, he said it was unjust that the man who kept a store should be obliged to pay a license fee, while there was a great number of professions and callings which contributed nothing through this avenue to the city exchequer. Instancing these exempted callings, in reply to a question, he mentioned accountants, barristers, solicitors, brewers, dentists, doctors, employment agencies, florists, insurance agents, journalists, mining brokers and stenographers. "I consider the favored doing away with the tax altogether."

Ald. Williams said he held the same view for as long as the tax remained it would tend to drive the businesses subject to it to other cities.

The mayor said that to do so would mean the loss of a large sum of money, as a very large sum was raised for municipal purposes in this way, and if it were cut off he could not understand where it would be made up.

Investigation by the clerk resulted in the discovery of the fact that \$15,000 was derived from this source last year, exclusive of the liquor licenses, which brought an even larger amount.

The basis of rental was objected to by Ald. Hayward, who was by no means convinced that it was absolutely fair.

Ald. Macgregor cited the practice followed in the city of Winnipeg, where floor space was made the basis with a sliding scale in the case of furniture and similar establishments.

Objection was also made by some of the aldermen, of whom Mr. Cameron was chief spokesman, to the distinction which the city made in the imposition of these fees between the wholesaler and the manufacturer. He didn't understand why the latter should enjoy a privilege not accorded to a wholesaler who perhaps employed a larger number of hands. Some ventured the opinion that the manufacturer was a greater benefit to the place, but Ald. Cameron said this was only a matter of sentiment.

Reference was also made by Ald. Beckwith to the immunity from taxation in this way enjoyed by outside firms who send in their travelers and secure orders in the city injurious to local manufacturers and traders without paying a cent in taxation.

The clause finally passed. The suggested amendment giving the city power to submit a by-law asking for authority to raise the city's share of any improvement without submitting the by-law to the people was carried without discussion, with the addition of a subsection allowing the city to pay its share in annual instalments the same as the property owners.

The remaining two clauses were passed without dissent, and the council passed to a consideration of the Victoria & Sidney scheme, after Ald. Macgregor had made an ineffectual effort to have a clause introduced providing that real estate owners contribute upon the basis of rental, a clause which was negatived, a majority of the council agreeing that such a basis would not be a correct one for the business made.

The recommendation, clause 2 was taken up. Ald. Beckwith moved that \$300,000 be substituted for \$500,000, as the sum required to be guaranteed by the company before the city should be required to pay its shares.

The mayor said he was still of the same opinion that the amount should stand as originally drafted, but Ald. Beckwith's motion prevailed, those opposing it being the mayor and Ald. Hayward and Macgregor.

When the clause relating to acquiring the Sidney road was reached, Ald. Hayward said that the council was entitled to the fullest possible information in regard to the road. He understood the cost of the road in the first place had been about \$200,000, while the road was mortgaged for considerably more than that amount. They had also to consider that the life of the ties of the road had almost expired.

Ald. Brydon replied that he had been all over the road, and there are as many new ties as old ones in the roadbed.

A clause was subsequently inserted in the by-law providing that the road might be acquired by "purchase, lease or otherwise."

A great deal of discussion followed in regard to the laying of tracks in the street, the mayor and several of the aldermen manifesting anxiety lest the company be given power to lay double tracks in the streets. The difficulty was finally overcome by the passage of a provision that no system of double tracking will be permitted in the streets of the city, and that the extension of the said railroad should connect with the E. & N., and that the route and the work should be under the supervision of the council and city engineers. The friends of the road asked that only one of these parties be named, but the mayor insisted that both should be included in the clause.

Provision was also made that in the event of the company requiring the market for a central depot, "the city should have twelve months' notice in order to secure another fire hall." A clause was also inserted compelling the company to keep the crossings in repair, and to bear the cost of paying stations between the rails and for two feet on each side of them.

The council then rose.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Jan. 4.—5 a.m.—The barometer is rising over the entire Pacific slope; it is lowest off the Washington coast, where there is probably a developing storm area. Our weather remains unsettled; rain has fallen over Western British Columbia and the adjoining states, and light snow about Kamloops and in Manitoba, while Northern Alberta reports from 5 to 3 inches. The temperature ranges from 5 to 10 in the Territories to 10 above in Manitoba.

FORECAST.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Friday.
Victoria and vicinity—Fresh winds, mostly easterly, unsettled, with occasional rains.

Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, occasional rain or sleet.

REPORT.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.97; temperature, 41; minimum, 40; wind, 6 miles E.; rain, .02; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 36; minimum, 35; wind, 6 miles E.; rain, .01; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, 28; minimum, 20; wind, calm; snow, .01; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, 31; minimum, 26; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Nash, Wash.—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, 44; minimum, 38; wind, 4 miles S. E.; rain, .48; weather, cloudy.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Use Blue Ribbon Flavouring Extracts.

—Dandruff, falling hair and baldness cured. Dr. White's Hair Restorer used. Electric Parlor, 114½ Yates street.

—Have you seen the \$1 per dozen Printed Cups and Saucers at R. A. Brown & Co., 80 Douglas street?

—Lord Mayor's Pudding Bowls, Pudding Moulds, Pudding Bowls and Jelly Moulds, all sizes, at R. A. Brown & Co., 80 Douglas street.

—The most persistent advertisers, the world over, are those who believe in their goods. That is why you hear so much of "HONDI" Ceylon Tea. It is all that is claimed for it.

—Chief of Police Langley yesterday issued an edict to the effect that the games which have been running in various places in the city must cease and as a result every one of them was tightly closed down last evening.

—The large number who attended the "At Home" at the residence of Mrs. John Teague last evening listened to a most enjoyable musical and literary treat. The proceeds will go toward augmenting the century fund of the church.

—A decision was given in the police court yesterday afternoon in the much remarked case of Jung Wah Sing, charged with the theft of a box of clothes from Mah Sing. Jung was convicted and sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labor.

—Mr. W. W. Northcott, city assessor, received a letter to-day from his son Joe, who went with the Canadian contingent to South Africa. The letter, dated Nov. 23rd, was written at sea, and was mailed at Capetown. At the time of writing all the Victoria boys, and in fact the whole contingent, were well and constantly drilling, and otherwise preparing for the front.

—The incorrigible Isaac Roberts again appeared in the police court this morning on the charge of drunkenness. Roberts was only yesterday fined \$15 for a similar offence and allowed a fortnight in which to pay. For this last offence he was fined \$15 or one month imprisonment with hard labor. Eli Craigie was charged with using insulting language on the streets and fined \$7.50 or five days' hard labor.

—Double Trading Stamps for every dollar's purchase on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at The Sterling, 88 Yates street.

—The officers of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, L.O.O.F., paid an official visit last evening to Columbia Lodge and installed the following officers for the ensuing term: N.G., Bro. Marack; V.G., Bro. F. Smith; W. D. Pottinger; O.G., W. H. Huxtable; Con. B. Deacon; J.G., L. D. Davis; R.S.W.G., Bro. McConnel; L.S.N.G., S. Reid; R.S.V.G., Bro. Mayo; L.S.V.G., Bro. Taylor; R.S.S., Bro. McGregor; L.S.S., J. Wilby; Chaplain, Bro. Rev. W. D. Barber. A joint committee of the lodges will meet on Saturday evening next to fix the date and perfect other arrangements for a banquet.

—At the meeting of the ladies' committee of management of the B. E. Protestant Orphanage yesterday a subject was brought up which led to the appointment of a special committee to wait upon the provincial government. Some children, abandoned by their parents, have been taken charge of at the orphanage and afterwards, when they have reached an age at which they can be of assistance to their parents, the orphanage authorities have had to give them up in response to the demands of the parents. Mesdames C. Hayward, W. F. McCulloch and W. R. Higgins were appointed a committee to wait on the government and ask for legislation making the orphanage directors the legal guardians of such children.

PENNAN HADDIES at Jameson's.

33 Port street.

—The Daughters of Pitt will meet at the Royal Jubilee hospital to-morrow at 3 p.m.

—Four samples of 1900 Crawford Bicycles can be seen at Onions & Pimley's, Broad street, and they are beautiful.

—The services in connection with the funeral of the late Mrs. Thomas Reid were held this afternoon, and were conducted by Rev. D. Macrae, assisted by Messrs. T. C. W. D. Barber, Alex. Fraser and J. D. P. Knox. The interment will take place to-morrow in the cemetery.

—Double Trading Stamps for balance of this week. See our windows for bargains. The Sterling, 88 Yates street.

—Social meetings will be held to-night (Thursday) and Friday night at 8 o'clock by Messrs. Francis and Duncan from Portland, in the Gospel Hall, Johnson street, opposite Cameron's clothing store. The subject to be taken up to-night is: "Who should be the subjects of baptism and the mode."

—In dealing with the matter of the lodges and doctors in last night's Times, several errors inadvertently crept into the report. The medical men received 75 cents a quarter, not a year, as reported, which amounts to \$3 a year. This would make a total of about \$6,000 received by the medical men from the lodges per year. The date of the meeting of representatives of the lodges is on Thursday evening next, the 9th inst.

—At the regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council held last evening the following officers were elected: President, J. H. Twigg; vice-president, James Welch; secretary, Ed. Harrop; treasurer, Thomas Tasse. There was considerable discussion regarding the municipal elections, but as only one candidate had been named his card no candidate could be decided upon. The following resolution was then passed: "That this council will strongly oppose all candidates who are not in favor of day labor being done upon all municipal work."

—Last evening the Balmoral Hotel was the scene of a brilliant New Year's soiree given under the auspices of several of the best known guests of that popular house. Invitations were sent out to about fifty. The large drawing room was handsomely decorated with evergreens, flags and holly, whilst several cunningly contrived cosy corners offered their seductions to those more seriously inclined. Chinese lanterns and ivy sprays adding to the charm of their appearance. Several elegant toilets were especially remarked, more particularly those of the three young hostesses. Dancing and games were kept up until a late hour, and after refreshments had been partaken of, good byes were said, amidst a shower of congratulations from the happy party, to Mrs. Williams and the young hostesses.

—The first of a series of twelve concerts which the Fifth Regiment band propose giving will be held at the Drill hall on Saturday evening. These will be continued until the 24th of March, and all who wish to help the band may contribute to that end by purchasing a season ticket. A ticket for the twelve concerts may be obtained for \$1 each, an average of about eight cents and a half a concert. The band now consists of 22 members, and, musically speaking, is in the best of condition. To keep them in these concerts must be maintained. Season tickets may be obtained from T. N. Hibben & Co., H. L. Salmon, J. P. Runch, Star grocery, corner of Port and Blanchard streets, or from any of the bandmen. It has been decided to have restricted smoking only, being permitted in the south gallery.

—Col. Gregory this morning received a letter from Capt. Blanchard, with the Canadian contingent. Most of the letter had been written on board the Starbuck, and dealt with the routine of a shipboard life as already described at length in the letters to the Eastern press. He reports all the members in the best of health. He refers to the kit in which he, together with the other officers, paraded before the colonel, consisting of Bedford coat breeches, puttees, brown boots, Tommy's khaki jacket, pouch, field glasses and sword, a rider covered with leather. Each, he adds, will be allowed to carry what he likes on his person, and will be permitted to leave 100 pounds baggage at the advanced base and 35 pounds with him, via the regimental transportation. Col. Blanchard adds a line just as the Starbuck was steaming into Capetown on November 29th, and intended posting it on a steamer which was due to sail as soon as they landed.

—A gigantic, sumptuous, magnificent affair! It is not only Bronson Howard's beautiful play, staged as it was never staged before, played as it was never played before, but it is a grand, thrilling exhibition of war in its reality—something which takes on the form of a sublime, irresistible fascination, which seems to go right to the very hearts of the audience and make them feel that if war was like that, and men and women were what they are, no wonder men were brave and women tender and affectionate and heroic.

—The company, which will present "Shenandoah" at the Victoria theatre to-night is the one Manager Jacob Pitt has gathered together for the express purpose of making an effort at production of the piece as possible. The spectacular element is made up of 100 people—infantry, artillery, cavalry, mounted on horses which have been given in New York, Boston and Chicago. This cannot fail to give the most effective and vivid portrayal of the genuineness of warfare, as well as the most satisfactory interpretation of one of the best war plays ever written. The revival of this splendid play has been given in New York, Boston and Chicago. This cannot fail to give the most effective and vivid portrayal of the genuineness of warfare, as well as the most satisfactory interpretation of one of the best war plays ever written. The revival of this splendid play has been given in New York, Boston and Chicago.

—The whole number of candidates 80.5 per cent. passed. The pass percentage of the Boys' School was 95.8.

SHIPPING NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

Enquiries are being made by the master of the schooner Manila, which has arrived at Port Gable, as to the identity of a strange steamer with which he was in collision last Sunday night. The schooner was bound in from San Francisco, and suddenly a vessel was seen looming up out of the darkness. The wheel was at once thrown over and a serious collision averted. The steamer, however, did not escape, for while steering 22, the heavy bowsprit except the steamer deck aft, and as next morning the bowsprit was found covered with splinters it was thought the steamer had been damaged. The schooner was uninjured. The schooner's lights were burning and the master is unable to ascertain a reason for the collision.

The Hawaiian Islands have not been so easily freed from the bubonic plague as was thought when the quarantine was raised on December 10th. The port of Honolulu has again become quarantined, and all vessels from there are to be rigorously inspected for, according to advice received by the steamer Australia to December 20th, the plague has again broken out and three more deaths have occurred, one a white girl, who was found dead on December 22nd, and two Chinese who died on Christmas Day. These fatalities started the plague again, and the Australia refused to carry any steerage passengers because of the risk involved.

Steamer Queen Adelaide, Capt. McNair, arrived at the quarantine station yesterday afternoon and came in to the pier wharf at an early hour this morning. She had an average cargo, including a big consignment of silk to be rushed to New York. About a hundred tons of general freight were landed here. She had in all 100 passengers, all Asiatics. There were 3 Chinese for Victoria and 1 for the Sound, 8 Koreans for Tacoma and 97 Japan, who, excepting 11, departed here. She left for Tacoma soon after daylight.

Vessels have been engaged to carry 32,000 tons of sugar from the Hawaiian Islands to New York during the present year. The total crop is about 300,000 tons. The remainder is to be shipped to the coast refineries. The vessels already secured to load sugar at Honolulu are: Pactolus, Nunaun, Hyde, Iolani, Villard, Hopes, McDonald, Starbuck, St. Francis, Rice, Chapman, Fuller, Digo, Phelps, Sutton, Babcock and Susquehanna.

There was some anxiety expressed last evening over the non-arrival of the steamer Walla Walla at San Francisco. She was then 12 hours late, and a weather had prevailed lately the delay was unaccountable. Although no word was received at the office of the local agents it is believed she has arrived or is now.

Five more vessels have been added to the Cape Nome fleet, the C. H. Hamilton Co. having chartered the Alliance, Huene, Dispatch, South Portland and Fulton. The Huene is not the old vessel of that name. She was sold to a Honolulu firm and rechristened.

Steamer Unatilla will sail for San Francisco this evening. Those booked to embark here are: Capt. Wise, Alex. Simpson, S. J. and A. F. Clements, G. W. Oole, F. W. Henry, Mrs. Mary A. Russell, Miss I. Scott, Mrs. Alice Watson, B. M. Marshall and B. Freese.

Sealing schooner Aurora, she of the Cocos Island expedition, is being offered for sale. Tenders will be received for the purchase of the vessel up to Tuesday next.

Steamer Sikh, which has been released from the transport service and is being repaired at San Francisco, will come North to run to the Orient for the Northern Pacific line.

Charles Schieler, a laborer, is suing the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Company for \$3,000 damages because of a fall into the hold of the Rijnin Maru at Seattle.

French bark Louis Pasteur, 135 days out of Limerick, has arrived at Astoria. She was long overdue and 25 per cent. reinsurance was quoted on her.

Ship Hawaiian Isles, which is coming here to enter the drydock, was towed from Port Angeles yesterday by the tug Sea Lion.

American ship Chas. E. Moody has changed her home port from Bath, Me., to San Francisco.

Steamer Charnier left Vancouver at 1.10 p.m. She connected with the train.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. Justice Drake is to-day holding court in the case of the Shawingian Lake Lumber Co. v. Fairford. The plaintiff was not allowed the costs of a garnishee summons. Before the expiration of the 8 days for putting in a dispute note the defendant tendered the registrar of the court the full amount of the claim and costs, but the registrar did not accept the money, as the garnishee had already paid the amount into court, including the costs of the garnishee summons. His lordship ordered that the amount in court, less the costs of the garnishee summons, be paid to the plaintiff and the balance to the defendant. Frank Higgins, for plaintiff and Geo. Jay for defendant.

A GOOD SHOWING.

The following statement of the number of pupils who sat for the High School entrance examinations and of the percentage who succeeded, will be of interest:

No. Can. Mid-School. divides. summer. Xmas. Tl.

North Ward, 33 25 2 27

Girls, 31 11 11 22

Boys, 24 13 10 23

South Park, 23 18 1 19

Victoria West 7 4 1 1

148 71 24 65

Of the whole number of candidates 80.5 per cent. passed. The pass percentage of the Boys' School was 95.8.

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VICTORIANS FROM DAWSON.

News of a Tragedy on the Snow Covered Trail—Stranded Snows.

Joshua Holland, Dan Carmody and Harry R. Ellis, all of the Victoria Yukon Trading Co., returned from Dawson this morning. They left the Klondike capital on the morning of the 11th and travelled over the frozen trail in fifteen days with a dog team. At Lake Bennett they were obliged to make a detour as the lake is again open. They managed to catch the first train that had run over the White Pass railway since the storm began, seven days before, and arrived at Skagway in time to catch the steamer City of Topeka, which vessel took them to the Sound yesterday. They came over in the Yukon this morning. From them it was learned that the report published in the Yukon Sun that Mr. McLennan of the McLennan, McFeely Co., who arrived by the Danube after a bicycle ride over the trail, had bought up the stock of their company at Dawson, was wrong. What Mr. McLennan bought was the hardware of the company. The price paid was \$8,000.

News was given by them of the tragic death of William Summerville, superintendent of the British-American Corporation copper mines. His body was found frozen stiff on the trail between White Horse rapids and the company's camp, Summerville, it seems, had started for the mines from White Horse, about a day's journey, and as he failed to turn up at the camp his disappearance was reported to the police. Search was made with the result that his dead body was found in the snow. He had been drinking before leaving White Horse, and it is believed that he fell from his sleigh while intoxicated and perished in the snow.

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Provincial News.

GREENWOOD.

On Friday afternoon the manager of the Wallace-Miller Co. appeared before Mayor Hardy on a charge of infraction of the Sunday by-law. He admitted selling goods, and was dismissed with a warning. A Leamy, city solicitor, appeared for the prosecution.

Voting on the bonus by-law took place on Thursday, granting a bonus of \$3,000 to the B. C. Copper Co. miner. Thirty-five ratepayers were present, and the vote was practically unanimous, resulting in a ballot of 34 votes cast in favor of the by-law, and 1 against it.

On the evening of Wednesday, December 27th, Sidney H. Roach and Mary A. Oatman were married at the residence of Mr. Moffatt, Greenwood. A little before midnight the happy couple started for their home at the Mother Lodge mine.

KAMLOOPS.

Miss E. M. Lauder has resigned her position of schoolmistress of the North Hill school.

Miss Nettie Smith, for some time teacher in the North Thompson (West side) school, has been selected to succeed Miss Newson in the Kamloops school. Miss Lyons, of Vernon, being unable to accept the position.

Monday being a general holiday quite a number of our local "Tommy Atkins" turned out to try their rifle for the first time at target practice. Despite the snow, which was falling heavily at the time and made good shooting rather difficult, some very good marksmanship was displayed by several members of the company. The rifle butts were situated a little to the east of the provincial jail. A.L.C. W. Snee, made the best score with one bullseye and four centres.

VANCOUVER.

The marriage of Mr. Elias Allen, of this city, to Miss Alice McLean, of Malaita, Haits County, N.S., took place at the residence of Mrs. E. Allen, 705 Cambie street, on Tuesday evening. Rev. J. H. Bainton, pastor of the First Congregational church, performed the wedding ceremony.

At the last meeting of the city council a letter was read from G. R. Maxwell, M.P., acknowledging receipt of resolution of council regarding the building of a new customs house. Mr. Maxwell added that there could be but one opinion regarding the matter, and that was that either a new postoffice or customs house, was something that was urgently needed, and he hoped that action would be taken in the matter.

According to the statement of Ald. McGuigan at the meeting of the city council there is a civil suit threatening in connection with the recent exhumation of a Chinaman on Carrall street. Ald. McGuigan said that he had received a letter from Mr. D. G. Macdonald, who asked that the body of the dead Chinaman be exhumed in order to ascertain the cause of death by an inquest.

and post-mortem examination. He intended, he said, entering a suit against the gas company for alleged defective meters and other fittings. Ald. McGuigan said that it was not a criminal matter, and therefore he had no particular interest in making the exhumation for a civil case. Mr. Macdonald wished the city council to undergo the expense of \$75 for the exhumation. One of the aldermen said that if Mr. Macdonald wanted the exhumation made he should guarantee the expenses first, and there the matter rested on the understanding that the council should take no action, it having no interest in the matter.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

At the Presbyterian manse, this city, on Saturday evening, Mr. Harry Hughes, the proprietor of the Oyster Bay restaurant, and Mrs. Pufford, also of this city, were united in marriage by the Rev. A. E. Vert.

Mr. D. D. Burke, deputy warden of the British Columbia penitentiary, has just received a handsome nugget, valued at \$40, from Alexander McDonald, the "Klondike King," in aid of the orphanage bazaar.

The marriage took place on Monday morning of Isabella, daughter of Mr. J. McIlhenny, and Mr. L. A. Dauphinee, engineer on one of the river steamers. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's father, Seventh avenue, by Rev. A. E. Vert.

Mischiefous boys made trouble at the West End Methodist church in the small hours of the New Year. A watch-night service was in progress at the church and a number of boys who were present went out before the service closed. Shortly afterwards, firecrackers were discharged near the church, followed by the explosion of a Chinese bomb, right in the lobby of the edifice, which considerably startled the congregation and seriously alarmed several ladies. A member of the congregation thereupon went out and caught one boy in the act of setting off another bomb. The name of this boy, as well as of the eight companions, who went out during the service, were secured, and charges have been laid in the police court against the whole nine.

The many friends of Mr. J. R. Roy, C.E., resident engineer, in New Westminster, and throughout the province, will regret to learn that he, with Mrs. Roy, will leave for the East shortly, where they will reside. Congratulations are in order, however, announces the Columbia, at the same time, as the cause of Mr. Roy leaving New Westminster is promotion to an important office in the headquarters of the public works department, Ottawa. It is a matter for further satisfaction that, in going to the headquarters of the public works department, Mr. Roy will be able to keep an eye upon and advance the interests of the various important works here and elsewhere, throughout the province, which he has had in charge for the last three years, since his appointment as resident engineer, and that his duties at Ottawa will, also, probably occasion visits from time to time to this city and the province generally. Mr. Roy expects to leave about the 9th instant for the East. There is no information as yet as to who his successor here will be.

Mining News.

Windermere District.

The country around Windermere is comparatively new judging from a mining standpoint, and it is only within the past two or three years that attention has been called to the mineral possibilities of that section. During that time considerable prospecting has been done, not only in the mountains immediately about Windermere, but in the Selkirk lying to the west of the Columbia. In the latter range on Toby and Horse-shoe creeks and their tributaries, discoveries have been made within the past eighteen months which have attracted the attention of mining men over the country. The discoveries have been of such marvellous richness, and the ore bodies on the surface so large as to be almost beyond belief, on many of the claims ore suitable for shipment can be taken. This fact going out to the world, brought in experienced miners and prospectors, who during the past month have gone ahead and made further discoveries, which have added still further to the fame of that section.

With no data upon which to go it is a difficult matter to summarize the claims in the different camps, so only a few of the most promising claims will be mentioned:

The Deplaine mine has become prominent from being the first mine from which shipments have been made. During the past two months ore has been taken out for shipment next season. The Red Lion on McDonald creek is another property showing one immense body of solid ore on the surface. An open cut made preparatory to running a tunnel showed this body of ore to be thirteen feet high and the full face of the cut. The property was for a time under bond to the Mackintosh syndicate for \$150,000. This corporation did not take up the bond and it passed into the hands of a New York syndicate, who are going on with development by running a tunnel on the ledge, employing fourteen men on the work. The pack trail will be kept open all winter in order to take in supplies. In the vicinity of the Red Lion are the Pretty Girl, White Elephant and a number of other promising claims.

The Silver Tip on Toby creek is owned by a French syndicate and are doing extensive development this winter. The company is a strong one, and the property is said to be exceedingly rich. The Paradise group on Spring creek is one of the most remarkable properties in the Windermere country. The discovery was made last summer, and from the grass roots pay ore was taken out. The claim was bonded to G. Mitchell, an agent of Toronto, who is now reported that a deal has been closed for the property on a bond of \$150,000. It is said that 1,000 tons of ore can be taken out and shipped to the river this winter. This ore will average \$80 to the ton, and it will be a good winter's work for the owners.

On the east side of the river near Windermere are the Swansea and Union group of mines. The Swansea has been extensively developed, and preparations were made last fall for taking out and shipping ore to the landing this winter. Next summer will witness great activity in the Windermere country. Prospectors will thoroughly explore Dutch creek, which is over the divide from the south fork of Toby creek. They will penetrate the mountains through which the upper Kootenay flows. This country will be thoroughly prospected, and will set season will witness substantial improvement—Fort Steele Prospector.

The Snowshoe Mine. On Thursday afternoon the second payment of \$25,000 was made on the Snowshoe mine, in Greenwood camp. The Snowshoe was bonded last March by J. W. Searley, a resident mining engineer, for Anthony J. McMahon, of the same city, representing London capital, for \$70,000, and a first payment of ten per cent was made. Thomas Macdonald, Robert Wood, and Robert Denzler, of Greenwood, are the owners.

The Snowshoe lies adjacent to the Gold Drop. Rawhide and Phenix claims in Greenwood camp. It is developed to a depth of 200 feet, with considerable drifting on the ore body. The ore is a copper pyrite in a mixed gangue of calcite, with some specularite and iron pyrites. An average value of the ore is said to give 14.6 per cent copper, 86 ounces silver, and from \$10 to \$15 in gold. At one time Patrick Clark, of Spokane, secured the mine and did considerable development, but closed down at the time the Republic mine became the chief topic in mining circles—Boundary Creek Times.

BRONCHITIS. Mr. William Davidson, St. Andrews, Que., states: "Dr. Chase's Nerve Food cured me of bronchitis. I have, without success, tried many remedies for the past six years. Last winter when I had a severe attack and was unable to work I secured a bottle of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food and after using it and am happy to state that the third bottle made me a well man." 25 cents a bottle. Family size 60 cents.

NANAIMO TRADE. Some Figures From the Coal City Showing the Business of Last Year.

Month.	Mail.	Cigars.	Tobacco.	Spirits.
Jan.	8,422	138,000	76,425
Feb.	9,248	177,000	52,750
Mar.	1,002	171,000	50,000
April	1,096	141,000	130,000
May	1,034	62,250
June	709	150,000	67,300
July	744	147,000	56,800	\$200.00
Aug.	600	174,000	81,700	\$281.00
Sept.	750	171,000	40,400	\$302.31
Oct.	1,203	159,000	78,500	\$300.33
Nov.	47	186,000	56,000	\$213.28
Dec.	484	232,500	88,800	\$210.16
Total	\$8,422	\$2,011	\$6,828	\$2,299.07
Grand total	\$14,229.77

*Licenses.
**Excise duty on beer, \$60.
The total for the year 1898 was \$11,800.11.

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FRIENDLY HELP.

Christmas Donations Acknowledged—Cont. Monthly Meeting Held Yesterday.

The monthly meeting of the Friendly Help was held at their rooms in the city market building yesterday, when the usual monthly reports were received, as well as those from the special Christmas committee. The former showed that throughout the month thirty had been assisted, while Christmas boxes of groceries, new, materials for padding, and in many cases, new garments, were sent to about sixty families. Many letters and messages of gratitude were also received by the ladies, showing that their efforts to provide comfort and cheer to those in need had been followed with thanks and blessings.

Following is the list of those who so kindly donated gifts at Christmas: Cash—Miss, Cash, Grant, Mrs. Sully, Mrs. Gately, Mrs. McNaughton, the Bishop and Miss Perrin, Mrs. James Dunsinuir, Mrs. Chambers, Gillespie children, Mrs. Stevenson, Mr. Denny, Mrs. Stadthagen, A. Friend, Mrs. Andrew, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Peterson, E. Woodhouse, Robert Chubb, Mrs. Harvey, A. Friend, The City, New clothing—Mrs. Erb, Mrs. Earl, Mrs. Angus, Mrs. H. G. Lewis, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Beaven, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Higgins, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. R. Maynard, Mrs. McElroy, Miss Blinnier, Mrs. Joseph York, Mrs. Nolte, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Harrop, Mrs. Boorman, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. B. Jameson, Mrs. Bland, Mrs. Hy. Saunders, Mrs. L. Saunders, Mrs. Munie, Mrs. C. C. Dwyer, Mrs. Mrs. F. Fox, Mrs. Gould, Miss McDowell, Mrs. J. McElroy, Mrs. Kent, Mrs. Gault, Mrs. Rykert, Mrs. Alknight, Miss Fitch, Miss Spears, Mrs. A. Anderson, crochery, Mr. James, Mrs. Foy, Mrs. E. Woodhouse, Mrs. Chubb, Mrs. Rogers, apples and fowls, Mr. R. Maynard, shoes, Mr. F. Carre, Jr., groceries, Mr. C. M. Given, puddings, oranges, flour and sugar, Mrs. McPherson, books, dolls, candles and games, Hall & Gossard, 14 tons coal, Baker & Colston, 1 cord wood, J. Porter & Sons and Mrs. McTavish, meat; School children, not previously acknowledged—Mrs. and Thelma Thompson, Allen Kent, John O'Neil, Harold Pope, Harry Kent, Aubrey Kent, Mayoral Kent, Lilian Haggerty, Eleanor Haggerty, Helen Mary Paine. Clothing received during the month—Daisy Dene, Mrs. E. Haggerty, Mrs. H. Haggerty, Mrs. Vigne, Mrs. T. Catterall, Mrs. Clifton, Mrs. (Cady) Irving, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Tenease, A. Friend, Capt. Jacobson, Mrs. Vincent, Mrs. Douglas, E. A. Carlton. The ladies would especially mention the kind thoughtfulness of Mrs. (Cady) Irving, of New York, who never fails to remember the society with a substantial cash donation at Christmas.

MAKAY STATES AN EXAMPLE. Under British protection the Malay Peninsula has emerged from its former obscurity and has begun to play a part not insignificant in the world to which it belongs. For the last ten years it has produced from fifty to seventy per cent of the tin of the globe, its output exceeding largely that of Australia, South America, Cornwall, and all other tin-producing countries put together. The revenue of the existing federation has risen in five-and-twenty years from a few hundred thousands to over seven millions of acres of land. Out of current receipts, roads, which intersect the states from end to end, have been constructed. Over two hundred miles of railway are open to traffic, and an elaborate system, joining Penang to Malacca, is in course of completion. Planting and other private enterprises have been stimulated; the material well-being of the natives has been enormously improved; and the once lawless land has become a peaceful and as secure as the best ordered countries of Europe. This has attracted large numbers of Chinese, the most orderly, hard-working, money-loving, and thrifty natives in the East, and by them has been performed the heavy labor of a kind which the "indolent" case-making Malays could never have accomplished. Some Chinese came to the Malay states before the white men set foot on the peninsula, but as a race they have been a land where they can make money undisturbed by risk of war and robbery, and this they find in modern Malaya, ruled by a strong government under European control. With the aid of the Malay states before the condition of affairs could never have been arrived at; and this fact, which justifies our presence in the Malay States, is one of which Englishmen may well be proud.—Hugh Clifford, in November Atlantic.

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MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Municipal Elections, 1900.

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Hall, in the afternoon of Monday, the 8th day of January, 1900, from 12 noon to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Mayor or Aldermen.

The mode of Nomination of Candidates shall be as follows:

The Candidates shall be Nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the Nomination, and in case of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 11th day of January, 1900, from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m., in the manner following.

For the office of Mayor, in the Court Room of the City Hall, aforesaid, and for the office of Alderman for the North Ward, at the Public Market Building, Corner Market street.

For the office of Alderman for the Central Ward, at the Public Market Building, Corner Market street.

For the office of Alderman for the South Ward, at the Public Market Building, Corner Market street, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The persons qualified to be nominated for and elected as the Mayor of the City of Victoria shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value of One Thousand Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

The persons qualified to be nominated for, and elected as Aldermen of the City of Victoria, shall be such persons as are male British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, and are not disqualified under any law, and have been for the six months next preceding the day of nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property in the City of Victoria of the assessed value of Five Hundred Dollars, or more, over and above any registered incumbrance or charge, and who are otherwise duly qualified as Municipal voters.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 28th day of December, 1899.
WM. W. NORTHOTT,
Returning Officer.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

Election of School Trustees.

Public notice is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of the City of Victoria, that I require the presence of the said Electors at the City Hall, in the afternoon of Monday, the 8th day of January, 1900, from 12 noon to 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing four persons as members of the Board of Trustees for Victoria City School District.

Any person being a householder in the School District, and being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, and otherwise qualified by the "Public Schools Act," to vote at an election of School Trustees in the said School District, is eligible to be elected or to serve as a School Trustee.

The mode of Nomination of Candidates shall be as follows:

The Candidates shall be Nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the Nomination, and in event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on Thursday, the 11th day of January, 1900, in the Court Room at the City Hall, from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m., at which time and place each Elector who is duly qualified to vote for Mayor, will be entitled to cast his vote for four (4) candidates for members of the Board of School Trustees, but may only cast one vote for any such candidate, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand, at Victoria, British Columbia, the 28th day of December, 1899.
WM. W. NORTHOTT,
Returning Officer.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made by the Corporation of the City of Victoria to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session for an Act authorizing and enabling the said Corporation to enter into a lease of a lot of twenty-one acres, or persons, body or bodies corporate, who may be in a position and willing to carry out the terms thereof, of First, all that tract or parcel of land partly covered by water situated within the limits of the Corporation, called, or commonly known as the James Bay Flats, up to the north-east corner of the said lot, and secondly, all the land and buildings situated, lying and being on the south side of Humboldt street and extending from the said James Bay bridge to, but not including, the Reformed Episcopal church, and known as Lots 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855,

Government Programme

The Speech From the Throne
Forebushes Some Important Legislation

The Provincial Legislature Opens
This Afternoon With Usual Ceremony.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon, His Honor the Lieut.-Governor, Thomas R. McInnes, performed for the third time the duty of presiding at the opening of the legislative session, this being the second session of the eighth provincial parliament. There was the usual large crowd, every available seat, as far as could be seen from the press gallery, being occupied.

His Honor's staff consisted of Capt. Fagan, R.N., and his officers, Lieut.-Col. Grant, R.E., and his officers, Lieut.-Col. Gregory, R.C.A., and his officers; and Capt. Wabrian, of the D.G.S. Squadron. The Fifth Regiment, C.A., furnished the guard of honor, which was commanded by Captain Drake and Lieut. Graham, the band of the regiment also being in attendance.

The ceremony of taking place as the Times goes to press, His Honor having just read the following speech from the throne:

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.
Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

Since the last session on which I had the pleasure of meeting you, events of momentous importance to the British Empire have occurred. The declaration of war against Great Britain by the German Empire, the Transvaal and the Orange Free State has involved the Empire in a severe struggle for supremacy in South Africa. This event has evoked from every part of the Empire such expressions of Imperial unity as have not been known since the constitution, and such a recognition of the responsibilities and duties that a share in the glory and advantages of the Imperial connection involve, as must kindle the patriotism of every citizen of the Empire. Canada was among the first of the great self-governing dependencies of the Empire to offer material aid to the Imperial government in its efforts to secure for each race the rights which these small rights of citizenship to which they were entitled by solemn treaty obligations. In the spontaneity of this offer from Canada, the federal and provincial governments and the people of the Dominion were as one. Racial differences, party distinctions, have been obliterated in the great wave of popular enthusiasm to share in the burdens of empire and to aid the Mother Country in a righteous cause, and in the Canadian contingent now in South Africa are to be found representatives of the stalwart husband of Canada from every province of the Dominion. That the number of the volunteers from this province for the Imperial cause, and the Imperial official arrangements made it possible to accept, must be a source of pride and satisfaction to every patriotic citizen of British Columbia.

Whilst watching the course of events on the field of war with the interest of a patriot and a soldier, we can but pray that our arms may be victorious, that peace may speedily be concluded, and British supremacy in South Africa be established on a firm and just basis.

I am pleased to be able to inform you that the special legislation to provide a method for the adjustment of disputes which had arisen over the ownership of mineral claims in the Atlin district has achieved the purpose for which it was enacted. This has been due in no small degree to the able and impartial manner in which the learned commissioner, appointed under the provisions of the Act, performed the duties imposed on him. There is every prospect that the Atlin district will be one of the most prosperous mining camps in British Columbia during the coming season.

The rapid growth in the population, and the consequent requirement of a large increase in the school accommodation, make it imperative that the whole educational system should be revised. At this season time, there is a general desire among the people of many of the towns which have recently become incorporated for a larger share in the control of their schools. A measure, therefore, will be laid before you which, it is thought, will accomplish this end, and at the same time secure a maintenance for the excellent and efficient of our educational system.

The renewed activity which is becoming apparent in the lumbering industry, and the greater demand likely to arise for the products of our forests, make it desirable that such amendments should be made in the Act for the management of logs as will make its operation satisfactory both to the millowners and loggers, and a bill to that effect will be introduced.

Notwithstanding the substantial remission of taxation made last year, the general revenue is well maintained. The loan authorized at the last session for the purpose of providing funds for the discharge of the large deficit which had accumulated, was successfully negotiated in London in July last. At that time it was only found necessary to issue \$1,640,000 out of the \$2,800,000 authorized by the Act. The price realized for the stock was higher than that obtained for any previous issue.

The Columbia and Western Railway Company, having completed its line between Kamloops and Boundary Creek, has become entitled to a grant of land, approximately 2,500,000 acres. Preliminary arrangements have been made between my government and the railway company for the satisfaction of a cash subsidy for the land grant, on such terms as will result in a substantial saving to the provincial treasury, as compared with the plan adopted in regard to the payment of similar subsidies in the past. By the carrying out of this arrangement, it will be possible to throw open for settlement in the Boundary Creek district an area of about 400,000 acres now reserved. This would have a most beneficial effect on the development of the district, and will be a source of much satisfaction to the people of that locality.

The great increase in the population of the Boundary Creek district, and the rapid development of its mining and other industries, entitle it to have a representative in the legislature. An amendment to the

"Constitution Act" will, therefore, be introduced to effect this object.

Some amendments will be proposed to the "Coal Mines Regulation Act," in order to make the law more easy in application.

Amendments will be introduced to the "Liquor License Act" with a view to rendering its operation more effective, and lessening the cost to licensees of complying with the regulations, especially in the rural districts.

As it is now known that in the Omineca district there are large areas of valuable mineral territory and at present it is quite impossible to transport thither the heavy machinery necessary for the development of the mineral resources, it is, therefore, being asked to authorize expenditure necessary to make this portion of the province accessible.

My government has given much consideration to the opening up of the northern portion of the province, especially in connection with a route from the Coast entirely within British territory. During the past season a trail has been cut from the Coast, along the Kootenay valley, and prospectors and others have already taken advantage of that route. It is now proposed to build a wagon road in the same direction, with a view to the ultimate construction of a railway, as the commencement of a railway system to be extended over the northern portion of the province. In such a scheme it will be both feasible and desirable, in the public interest, that such arrangements should be made as will secure to the province an interest in such enterprise and an effective control over the details of their operation.

The estimates of revenue and expenditure for the ensuing fiscal year will shortly be laid before you, and will be found to have been framed with a view to economy whilst providing liberally for the public service.

I now leave you to your deliberations, trusting that under the guidance of the Almighty the result of your labors will conduce to the prosperity and welfare of the people of the province.

The following gentlemen have been invited to dine this evening with His Honor the Lieut.-Governor: His Grace Archbishop Christie, His Lordship the Bishop of Columbia, Chief Justice McCall, the Hon. Mr. Dewdney, P.C., the Hon. Mr. Prior, P.C., Captain Fagan, R.N., the Hon. Senator Tompkins, the Hon. Abraham Smith, U.S. Consul; Mr. Shimizu, Japanese Consul; Hon. Mr. Justice Martin, Mr. Earle, M.P., Mr. Bowcock, M.P., the Hon. Mr. Semlin, the Hon. Dr. McKinnon, the Hon. Mr. Cotton, the Hon. Mr. Hume, the Hon. Mr. Henderson, the Hon. Mr. Forster, the Rev. Leslie Clay, Lieut.-Col. Grant, Lieut.-Col. Gregory, Lieut.-Col. Peters, Major Muir, Major Williams, Captain Smyth, Captain Macbean, Captain Wabrian, Captain Drake, Lieut. Hunter, Mr. James Dunsmuir, Captain Irving, Mr. Joseph Martin, Mr. S. M. Robins, Mr. J. H. Turner.

Mr. Ralph Smith, M.P.P., received the following telegram from Nanaimo this afternoon:

"The late Attorney-General arrived by the Joan, which was sent specially for him, and he is now proceeding by special train to Victoria."

This is an interesting bit of information. What is the inference?

Mr. Joseph Martin

Addresses a Large Meeting of His Supporters in City of Vancouver.

His Course in the House Will Be Hostile to the Semlin Government

Vancouver city hall was fairly well filled when Mr. A. M. Tyson took his seat at the meeting on Tuesday night, and Mr. Martin addressed his supporters. Later the hall was crowded to the doors.

Mr. Martin said he thought it was advisable to ask Mr. Carter-Cotton, with whose actions his remarks would deal, to be present at the meeting in order that he (Mr. Martin) might say before his face what he had to say regarding him, and might have the opportunity, if he desired, of answering or making any explanations.

Mr. Martin then read a letter from Mr. Carter-Cotton, stating that "a full discussion of the government's action in regard to Deadman's Island must involve questions which are now in controversy with the Dominion government, and while the matter is in the courts, he should be guilty of a serious breach of his official duty if I made such the subject of a discussion at a public meeting, by request to what you call your expulsion from the government; I am under the impression that you resigned your office after ascertaining that the views of the government supporters in the house were against your remaining in the cabinet. But in any case, it is not a matter which it would be proper for me to discuss. His Honor the Lieut.-Governor and the Premier are the persons who, by the constitution, are entrusted with the selection and dismissal of the ministers of the crown. I know of nothing which gives any authority in regard to the matter to any other member of a cabinet, and I must decline to resign in the position of a member of the cabinet, and I must decline to resign in the position of a member of the cabinet."

After referring at length to the Deadman's Island question and his expulsion from the cabinet, Mr. Martin said: "You have heard from me the explanation of what has occurred, and the ground that I have taken as your member in accepting a position in the government. But for the reasons I have stated I have come to the conclusion that I shall have to alter my position in that house, and that it is a serious matter upon which it appears to me I should have some consultation with you. Now, why is it that I think I should no longer support this government? I consider the government to be simply Mr. F. Carter-Cotton. Mr. Carter-Cotton monopolizes the two important portfolios in the government, and I

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fancy there is no other member there who is likely to interfere very much in Mr. Carter-Cotton's disposal of public affairs. I propose to oppose the present government on account of the gross injury it has done to the best interests of this city in connection with the matter to which I have referred. Now, when I say that I propose to oppose the government, I do not mean that I intend to go down there and sit in my seat and wait until some motion comes up with regard to Deadman's Island and then register my vote abstractly in favor of the proposition, that the city should be entitled to erect a mill on the island, and drop it at that. No, I think that would be a very inadequate way of asserting myself. On the contrary, having come to the conclusion already expressed, it is my intention to take every means in my power to hurt from power Mr. Carter-Cotton and the other gentlemen who sit behind him. (Cheers.) I think that what this province wants is another election. (Renewed cheers.) I have been of that opinion ever since the late election. (A laugh.) We were handicapped in that last election, and I want an appeal to the country at once. Believing that this government is no longer worthy of support, I will take every means in my power to see that it is removed from office. I have made up my mind, if I continue to represent this constituency, to do all in my power to bring about another election by defeating the present government. Now, if my constituents do not agree with these views of mine, and if they think I shall be doing an injustice to this constituency of Vancouver by putting the present government out, all they have to do is to say so to me, and I will at once resign and make room for some better man. (Cheers.) That is what I have said you together for."

Mr. Martin stood up to speak again while the gentleman anxious to be rid of his amendment hastened to the platform. By the time he arrived there Mr. Martin was in the middle of a yagye speech about the referendum, whose principle he was thoroughly in accord with, but thought the present system all right. He also remarked that Mr. Tisdall was going to stand by Mr. Cotton, but he (Mr. Martin) knew that Mr. Macpherson took the same view that he did. He hoped, therefore, that when he and Mr. Macpherson went over to Victoria they would be able to fight together.

The gentleman with the amendment, who refused to give his name, once more tried to get a hearing, but Mr. Philip called out "Three cheers for the Queen," and the meeting broke up in not exactly orderly fashion.

To the refractory backs a member of the Deadman's Island committee, announced that one of the three city papers could be relied on to support the Deadman's Island movement in the present campaign, they had made arrangements to publish a paper called the Argus for eight days, but they wanted a guarantee of \$500 worth of advertisements. Contributors would call on the advertisers on Wednesday.

By this time the meeting had broken up.

Personal.

J. D. Conway, of Chalmers, is at the Victoria.

W. A. Whitecar, of New York, is at the Victoria.

W. H. Vickers, of Revelstoke, is at the Dominion.

H. F. Green, M. P. P. for Shewan, is at the Victoria.

E. McVie, M. P. P. for Dewdney, is at the Victoria.

F. Jewell, of San Francisco, is a guest at the Victoria.

James Collins, of Vancouver, is staying at the Dominion.

W. H. Kinnear, of Portland, is registered at the Queen's.

Chas. E. Tisdall, M. P. P. for Vancouver, is a guest at the Victoria.

Dr. S. Lottman, of Mosher and W. Maine, of Vancouver, are at the Dawson.

Chas. Edwards, foreman of men of the Mount Sicker mines, is at the Queen's.

E. C. Hawkins, of the White Pass Railway Company, is a guest at the Victoria.

Mrs. W. Daily and Mrs. W. Jeffrey returned from a trip to Vancouver last evening.

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Sporting News.

HOCKEY.
PRACTISING FOR THE MATCH.

After a rest of two weeks, the Victoria Hockey Club resumes practice next Saturday at Oak Bay park at 2:30 p. m. After the defeat the home team got in Vancouver, it is hoped all members will turn out in full force now so as to be able to win the game on the home ground, which takes place about the end of the present month. The following teams have been chosen to represent the captain and vice-captain: Captain's team—Putter (capt.), Tye, Jones, A. McLean, Bertrick, York, Dalrymple, Cummins, Gore, Fell, Green. Vice-Captain's team—Swinton (capt.), Robertson, Rogers, C. McLean, Jaegers, Vernon, McFavish, Bunting, Patton, P. Austin, Bell.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.
VICTORIA V. LEANER.

The following team will represent Victoria against the Leander eleven at Beacon Hill on Saturday afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock: Goal, W. H. Kinnear; backs, B. Schweigert and H. A. Goward; half-backs, A. Rutherford, J. W. Leckie, and A. Johnston; forwards, H. Shandley, J. Hunter, J. Noot, R. Livingstone and L. York.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.
The next junior league game will be played at Beacon Hill on Saturday, commencing at 2 sharp, between the Boys' Brigade and Maple Leafs.

THE RING.
JEFFRIES-CORRETT FIGHT.

(Associated Press.)
New York, Jan. 4.—Sporting men are much alarmed at the recommendation of Governor Roosevelt for the repeal of the Thorton law. As a result, Jeffries and Corbett met at once and set forward the date of their battle to March 15th, believing that no legislation changing the present rule of prize-fighting would pass through prior to that time.

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DIARIES

POCKET AND OFFICE.

Diaries, pocket and office. Now is the time to turn over a new leaf, and start the office with a few nice fittings. We have a grand line of blank books, files, inkstands, letter trays, waste paper baskets, cash boxes, etc., etc. Agents for Shannon filing cabinets (from one to fifty drawers, Smith Premier type-writers.

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SEDITION MUST STOP.
Citizens of Victoria Resolve Themselves into an Investigating Committee.

That the seeds of anything kindred to the spirit of sedition will not be allowed to take root in loyal Victoria for one instant is evidenced by the attitude of many prominent business men who will, if necessary, resort to drastic measures to stifle in its incipient stages any aggressive action in favor of the Boers and hostile to patriotic sentiment.

It is not that the citizens fear that the support by a few, in the interest of Oom Paul's present struggle, would injure the prestige of the Empire one iota, but they decidedly object to a city bearing the name of Her Majesty being identified with a movement hostile to what Britons are proud to call a "righteous cause."

Consequently some fifteen or twenty of Victoria's leading business men met yesterday to inaugurate a thorough investigation and to make arrangements for action if the result of such investigation justified it. A committee of two was named to sift the matter to the bottom and report at another meeting to be held next Saturday evening.

Under existing circumstances the gentlemen concerned do not wish their names to be made known, and as yet have not fully outlined their plan of action, although drastic boycotting measures are hinted at, and will be applied if necessary.

Among those particularly interested in Mr. Richard Hall, M.P.P., who is most emphatic in his denunciation of any seditious actions, rendered all the more glaring when it is remembered that those who are alleged to be responsible, are enjoying all the privileges afforded by British citizenship, and the protection of the crown. In fact certain more demonstrative citizens favor more drastic measures than boycotting. The matter has caused widespread indignation, and loyalty-loving Victorians are unanimously determined that any aggressive action sympathetic to the cause of the Boer should cease, the prevailing sentiment apparently being "if they love the Boers so much, why did they not go out to South Africa and fight for Kruger?"

An incident demonstrating the indignation caused in the matter occurred at the Telegraph Hotel last evening, on the occasion of a smoking concert and reception given by the proprietor, Fred Sturm, to the sailors of Her Majesty's ships at Esquimalt. The blackheads had become actuated by the impression that the proprietor was a partisan in the movement, and most abruptly terminated the festivities, naturally not in the most congenial of moods. Mr. Sturm has been exceedingly exercised over the incident, and states that he had nothing to do with the matter, that although a German by birth he is quite loyal to British institutions. He considered that the rumor derogatory to him was merely a blackmaling affair and expressed himself in favor of a thorough investigation as to who gave its circulation.

Captain Christenson, for many years a resident of Victoria, and well-known in shipping circles, called at the Times office to-day and emphatically denounced what he considered a most iniquitous movement. He greatly deplored the affair, but stated that the impression that the movement was peculiar to men of his country, was an erroneous one, as they were all most loyally inclined.

Captain Victor Jacobson also wishes it distinctly understood that he has had no connection with the affair.

Harold Sands, of the Vancouver News-Advertiser, came over on yesterday's steamer to attend the session of the legislature. He is a guest at the Dominion.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD.

Ladies and Gentlemen:
At the urgent solicitation of a large number of ratepayers, I have consented to become a candidate for the Central Ward, and having consented to do so, I respectfully ask your support and influence at the forthcoming municipal election, and if elected I promise to use my best endeavors to promote the best interests of our city.

JOS. E. PHILLIPS.
74 and 76 View street.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD.

Ladies and Gentlemen:
At the urgent solicitation of a large number of ratepayers, I have consented to become a candidate for the South Ward, and asking your vote and influence on the day of election.

Your obedient servant,
JOHN JARDINE.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD.

Ladies and Gentlemen:
I am a candidate for re-election. Trusting my record as one of your representatives may have been such as to merit a renewal of your confidence. I am desirous to see more permanent street work done, also railway connection with the Mainland, the scheme of better improvement carefully considered, and whatever tends to the advancement of our city shall have my support.

THOS. A. BRYDON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD.

Ladies and Gentlemen:
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